

Collaboration

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While the ISM program puts a heavy emphasis on individuality and growth through one's experiences, it is also extremely important to note the aspects of collaboration involved. Through creating a blend of collaboration and individuality, a strong product is created while the growth still is immense.

This past week I started to more intensely collaborate with my mentor in order to bring out the best of my product while also growing significantly. In doing so, a more refined final product resulted while also sparking a new array of ideas and knowledge.

As an experience software developer, my mentor, Mr. Blankenship, had a universe full of knowledge over the topic and industry. Because of this, oftentimes he would use higher level jargon that was unfamiliar to me. In order to get the most out the conversation, it would be necessary make sure everything was understood completely and clearly. By doing this, the technical jargon encountered suddenly was minimized and my knowledge over the topic increased exponentially. Because of the way this challenge was overcome, my personal strength within the field has increased significantly.

Reflecting for the future, it has been extremely important to find the right mix between individuality and collaboration. While as of now my work ethic has a focus on individualism, it is important for me to incorporate more collaboration in order to achieve a more refined product such as what has been achieved this past week. Looking ahead, if the collaboration levels increase, then the probability for success starts to soar higher and higher until the ideal blend of both has been acquired.

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